(*b*) whether they have any measures in view for supplying drinking water to those places ?

Mr. K. Paramesvara Panickar (*Ag. Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) No representation on the subject has been received from the people of Kumarakam. But people of Moncombu, Kainakari and other places of Kuttanad have brought the fact to the notice of Government.

(*b*) The question is under the consideration of Government.

Mr. M. N. Narayana Menon (*Kottayam*): കുമരകത്തെപ്പറ്റി അന്വേഷണം നടത്തുമോ?

Mr. K. Paramesvara Panickar : അതിനെപ്പറ്റി ഗവണ്മെന്റ് യഥാസമയം ആലോചിക്കാം.

Joining of the Mavelilthodu with the Vembanad lake.

125. ***Mr. M. N. Narayana Menon** : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) how many years it is since the people have been petitioning them to cut open the Mavelil *thodu* running from the Illikal river so as to connect it with the Vembanad lake ; and

(*b*) whether any action has been taken in connection with this ?

Mr G. B. E. Truscott : (*a*) Two years and eight months.

(*b*) An estimate has been received from the Chief Engineer; but the P. W. D, is considering the desirability or otherwise of changing the alignment already adopted in the above estimate.

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